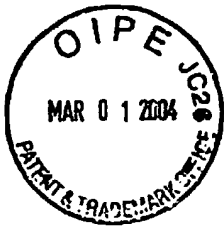


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Tatarka, et al.
Appl. No.: 09/431,931
Filed: November 1, 1999
For: PUNCTURE RESISTANT, HIGH SHRINK FILMS, BLENDS, AND PROCESS

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action dated August 25, 2003, for which a three (3) month extension of time is requested, making the deadline for reply February 25, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments To The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

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